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## REWARD OFFERED FOR JAS. GRAHAM

Information Just Leaked Out  
This Morning.

All the Police Are Coquetting With  
That \$150 Proposition But  
Some Are Tied.

### DETECTIVES NOW GO TO WORK

Yesterday it was made known that the governor had offered a reward of \$150 for the capture of James Graham, alleged to be the murderer of Claude Bass, and developments are expected immediately, now that something tempting has been set out as bait for the local sleuths. Before the reward was offered the detectives remained idle because they saw nothing coming in. Now that the state has baited the hook, it is expected that nibbles will come with frequency.

It is a fact that the Claude Bass murder case has in a measure "crossed" the entire police force. From superficial appearances the policemen are as one, but "away down in their hearts there is a feeling," but this feeling is only given vent to in moments of privacy and with confidential friends.

Last night Lieut. Tom Potter left his desk in charge of Patrolman Henry Singery and went out presumably after Graham. He did not announce his intentions, but it was taken for granted that he had the reward bee buzzing in his bonnet. There are several policemen on the force who are troubled with the same disease, and they all want a chance but can not leave their beats. The first policeman to get a definite tip on the case was sent out alone to work it out and it carried him from one end of the city to the other. There were quick developments and by night the facts in the case were published. The police blame those who gave it out for impeding the fugitive's capture, and it is known that some have stated "they did not care whether Graham was caught or no, now."

Policemen are alleged to have seen Graham on several occasions, and in one instance damaging circumstantial evidence that he had visited a north side residence on the outskirts of the city was secured in the finding of a package of smoking tobacco with cigarette papers. The house that furnished the clue is the residence of the boy's mother, Mrs. Jennie Shaw, the last place the fugitive would be likely to go, understanding that the place would be watched.

Several policemen, who have been working quietly on the case, state that they have an idea where Graham is and might land him if given authority to work up the case. The rules of the force prohibit one patrolman leaving his beat for another unless ordered there, and it appears that the patrolmen are "tied down."

#### Facts About Graham.

Jim Graham is not the desperate some think him to be. In fact, he is hardly more than a mere boy. Last year Graham was arrested at Thirteenth and Clay streets with a 22-caliber pistol in his pocket. He was given a fine of \$25 and costs and ten days in jail and made a "trusty" at the lockup. He is small, weighing about 120 pounds, and has a "dried up" appearance. His height is about 5 feet 4 inches. The police anticipate no trouble with him if they ever get near enough to him, but his whereabouts puzzles the force.

#### Detectives at Work.

It is said that the local plain clothes men are quietly working on the case. They have not been inactive since the murder but have taken no steps towards actual work in the capture because of the absence of a reward. It is said that they are after the reward and developments may be reported at any time. Neither of them receives any salary from the city.

#### Detective Moore Talks.

"I cannot do any actual work because I am not yet physically able to," Detective T. J. Moore said this morning, "but this week I worked on the case a little and went down one night in the mud and rain and secured a clue. I found out where the boy was and informed Lieut. Tom Potter."

Detective Moore stated that the house where he located Graham is "away down on the river."

Lieutenant Potter is still working on the clue given him.

It is the daily average circulation of a newspaper that the shrewd advertiser investigates—"High Water" days don't count. The Sun's daily average last month was 3940.

### ROPING CONTESTS BARRED.

They Are Too Cruel, Declares Oklahoma Humane Society.

Oklahoma City, Okla., Sept. 7.—Judge Burwell, on request of the Humane society, yesterday granted a temporary injunction preventing a roping contest, which parties planned for the national meeting of Hoo-Hos, to be held here September 8, 9, 10 and 11. Cruelty is given as the reason for the injunction. A hearing will be held on Saturday.

## HIS PACT

YOUNG ITALIAN GOING BACK TO  
DIE ON GIRL'S GRAVE.

Her Parents Refused to Let Her  
Come to America and She Killed  
Herself.

New York, Sept. 7.—A dramatic scene occurred on the French liner pier today just before the steamer La Provence left for Havre. Among the passengers was Luigi Contarini, thirty-four years of age, who was bound for his old home in Locco, province of Lombardy, Italy, to keep a suicide pact to die on his sweetheart's grave.

Antonio Contarini, a brother of the passenger, created the scene and afterward told his brother's story.

He said that Luigi became betrothed to Josephine Ballatini, a girl in his native town. Her parents opposed the match, preferring a wealthier suitor, and Luigi, with his sweetheart's promise to keep faith, came to this country to seek his fortune. He established himself at Beaver, Okla., where he secured a farm. Then he wrote for Josephine to come, but she replied that she could not; that her parents forbade; that she intended to commit suicide, and that she expected Luigi to join her in death.

News that the girl had carried out her purpose followed, and Luigi sold his property at Beaver and started for Italy to kill himself on the girl's grave.

## JAIL DELIVERY

EFFECTED IN MILITARY PRISON  
AT WARSAW.

Political Prisoners, Polish Revolutionists, Set Free by Mutinous Guards.

Berlin, Sept. 7.—A successful jail delivery in which 56 revolutionary agitators were released, was accomplished in Warsaw, Poland, last night. Six soldiers on duty at the prison fortress mutinied and shot the director of the prison. Wardens were then bound and gagged and the entrance to the cells blown with dynamite. The men released are members of the Polish revolutionary committee. In an attempt at jail delivery made at Pensao, convicts set fire to the prison, but only one escaped.

#### DASHED TO DEATH.

On the Earth Was Inexperienced  
Balloonist Who Fell.

Oskaloosa, Kas., Sept. 7.—In full view of 2,000 spectators at the Jefferson county fair here today Jerry Turner, an inexperienced balloonist, fell 200 feet from a trapeze suspended from a parachute and was instantly killed, the fall breaking his neck, jaw left arm, collar bone and both wrists.

#### TROOPER TO CAPTAIN.

Then Made Governor of Province in  
Mindanao.

Washington, Sept. 7.—Captain Cornelius Smith, of the Fourteenth cavalry, has been detailed a governor of the Davao district, Mindanao, Philippine islands. Smith is a native of Arizona, and his rise from trooper to captain, covers sixteen years. He is a medal of honor man.

## BIG DEPARTMENT STORE PROPOSED

Chicago Parties Looking Over  
Local Field.

Contemplate Erection of Six-Story  
Building on Prominent Corner  
On Broadway.

### PLEASED WITH OBSERVATIONS.

Paducah may have a new department store, the largest in this part of the country.

Chicago parties are in the city today looking over the situation and are pleased with their observations. They are talking of opening temporary quarters this winter, and next year erecting a six-story building on the best corner in the city, and opening a store having about 100 feet frontage on Broadway.

"Paducah is the hub of this section," is the way one of the party expressed his opinion of the city, "and we are rather inclined to think it would be a strategic move for us to get established here before probable developments make this a wonderfully rich retail field."

"We have investigated this section of the country as well as the city," he continued, "and we cannot see why Paducah should not increase her retail territory many fold. This should be a good territory for the operation of interurban lines, and we have a tip that such facilities are contemplated for the city in a short while. When the roads come they will bring hundreds of shoppers to the big stores of Paducah and there will be room enough for all of us."

"This is really the most promising field we have found for a store of the size we contemplate. If we decide to locate here we will want to erect a building of proper size and equipment and capable of enlargement."

## DATES CHANGED

FARMERS' INSTITUTE SET FOR  
OCTOBER 18, 19, 20.

Original Time Conflicted With Meeting  
at Lexington Already Arranged for.

At the instance of Commissioner of Agriculture Vreeland the dates for the Southwestern Kentucky Farmers' institute have been changed to October 18, 19 and 20 from October 25, 26 and 27.

While waiting to hear from Paducah the commissioner agreed to furnish speakers for a session in the blue grass during a big-Grange meeting at Lexington on the dates originally chosen for Paducah. For that reason he suggested that the date here be earlier, in order that Paducah may have first opportunity to hear the lecturers.

Much interest is taken all over this section in the institute and George N. McGrew, of Bayou, Ky., chairman of the executive committee of the state farmers' institute, has written a personal letter to Secretary Coons, of the Commercial club, thanking him for securing the meeting, and saying: "This is a great victory for the farmers of West Kentucky and I hope they will appreciate it."

#### ST. LOUIS FIREMEN

Are Fatally Injured and Comrades  
Badly Burned.

St. Louis, Sept. 7.—Assistant Fire Chief Barry and Fireman Moore probably were fatally injured and ten comrades were badly shocked and burned this morning while extinguishing a fire in the grocery of J. J. Burgess, on Lucas avenue, which was blown to pieces by an explosion of accumulated gasoline gas. Heroic work was necessary to rescue two women and a child from the flames.

#### Warden Lillard Exonerated.

Frankfort, Ky., Sept. 7.—The state prison commission today completed the investigation of charges against Warden Lillard, of the penitentiary, of having an interest in a milk contract to supply the institution, exonerating him. The commission will investigate charges that convicts are not properly and wholesomely fed.

## A SOUND SLEEPER LOSES SHOES AND HAT UNDISTURBED

Jack Clifford, a machinist, is a sound sleeper, and so soundly did he sleep today at noon that his shoes and hat were removed from his person without his awakening. He went to the rear of Cartwright's saloon on Kentucky avenue and laid down. He was asleep when Nicholas Gains, a stranger, came along and took his shoes and a hat. Before Gains could put the newly gotten shoes on, Bill Cole and Ed McShane, Illinois Central machinists, saw him committing the theft. Gains saw them and ran. He had one shoe on and the other foot bare. The machinists caught him after a two block run. He was given a good drubbing and turned over to Patrolman Emil Gourieux.

## TO ARBITRATE IS PLAN OF TRUSTEES

Signatures Being Secured To  
Proposition.

Plan to Proceed With Election of  
Other Teachers and Submit Po-  
sition in Dispute.

### MEETING OF THE TEACHERS.

The efforts of those members of the school board who desire to conciliate all factions and secure the appointment of teachers to all other positions, besides the one in controversy, were directed today toward securing the signatures of the members of trustees to some sort of an agreement to submit the question of arbitration. The idea is that if all agree to arbitrate on this point there will be no further advantage to be gained by either side in blocking the appointment of teachers to other positions and this work can be attended to at once, so the schools can open Monday.

Trustee Beckenbach made the proposition to arbitrate on the floor of the school board meeting, and in response to his suggestion, it is understood, the other side has made overtures to this end.

Written opinions from Wheeler, Hughes & Berry, County Judge R. T. Lightfoot and ex-Judge D. G. Park, affirming it as their opinion that the superintendent has the authority to appoint teachers for all the positions vacant Monday morning when the schools open, have been secured by the six members who desire a new teacher in English in the high school, and those opinions were mailed to Superintendent Lieb this afternoon.

#### Conference of Teachers.

Tomorrow morning from 8:30 until 9:30 o'clock a meeting of principals of the city schools will be held in the office of Supr. C. M. Leib, and from 9:30 until noon a general conference of teachers and principals will be held for the purpose of outlining plans for the opening of school Monday. Prof. E. G. Payne has finished holding examinations of pupils who were ill or who failed to pass at the close of the last term. He has not finished grading the papers. There was quite a large number of pupils to take the examinations.

## ICE PLANT

WILL INCREASE CAPACITY ONE  
HUNDRED TONS.

Out of Town Consumption and Fruit  
Car Demands Necessitate Large  
er Output.

A hundred ton increase in capacity will be completed by January 1 at the Paducah ice company's plant. The local consumption has not increased but the out-of-town shipments have been heavy this summer, necessitating the increase in capacity.

The capacity when the increase is completed will be 220 tons a day. The heavy fruit crop in the surrounding country this year has caused a large demand for ice. In the city the ice company now has the competition of many private ice plants.

## RIVER PIRATES STEALING ROPES

Take Lines By Which Barges  
Are Moored to Island.

Only Prevented From Floating Down  
Stream by Others Holding  
Them in Place.

### THE AYER-LORD TIE COMPANY.

Operations by rope thieves on the rivers here this summer have been systematic and heavy, the latest occurring last night when the Ayer-Lord Tie Company had many hundreds of feet of rope stolen from their barges moored against Owen's island.

It is not the scraps of rope or unused coils, which are taken. The thieves actually remove the ropes by which the barges are tied to the shore.

This was done last night and the barges were prevented from drifting down the river, only by being held in place by other barges. If several barges are cut loose in this manner at one time and start to drift down the river at night, when the robbing is done, the possible damage cannot be estimated from the collisions with steamboats, other barges, wharves, the dry docks and other river craft.

If several were floating down the river at once it would be nearly impossible for the steamboats to avoid a collision, which might result disastrously.

There are watchmen on the different boats, and the Ayer-Lord Tie company maintain watchmen on their tow boats and barges, a large number of which are anchored against the island at this time of the year, but no opportunity to teach these thieves a salutary lesson by summary shotgun work, has been found.

The barges are valued at several thousand dollars each.

## MORE DELEGATES

PLEDGED TO ATTEND THE IM-  
MIGRATION CONVENTION.

"Harvest Is Plenty, But Laborers  
Are Few," Says Secretary  
Green, of Milburn.

Lists of delegates to the Southwestern Kentucky Immigration convention and pledges to attend continue to pour into the Commercial club headquarters. Today the names of delegates from Joy, Bayou, Carrsville, Pineknayville, Birdsview and Calvert City were received.

Personal letters also are received from prominent men, expressing their intention to help the cause. The Hon. Conn. Linn, of Murray, says he will do all in his power to aid so worthy a project.

Thomas R. Green, secretary of the Milburn Commercial club, says: "The harvest is plenty but the laborers are few." He believes immigration is the hope of this section.

#### CUT HIS WRISTS.

But Blood Was Stopped and He Was  
Hanged.

West Chester, Pa., Sept. 7.—Rather than strangle on the gallows, Robert Fortie, convicted of killing his two children, attempted to commit suicide today by slashing his wrists with tin tobacco tags. The attempt was frustrated. He went to the gallows with wrists bandaged to prevent his bleeding to death.

#### NO IMPROVEMENT.

Condition of Governor Folk Shows  
Little Change.

Jefferson City, Mo., Sept. 7.—Governor Folk is no better today. No one but the immediate family is permitted to see the governor. Mrs. Folk informed inquirers that her husband is unimproved.

#### Missouri Mayor Fined.

Macon, Mo., Sept. 7.—Police arrested Mayor Rubey this morning for violating the auto speed ordinance. Officers kept time on him with a stop watch and the record showed he was going at a sixteen-mile-an-hour clip. The mayor pleaded guilty, complimented his appointees and paid his fine.

Fair tonight and Saturday.  
The highest temperature reached yesterday was 90 and the lowest temperature reached today was 69.

### MUTINY ON YACHT.

Greek Sailor Thrown Overboard Is  
Rescued.

Philadelphia, Sept. 7.—Mutiny among the crew of the yacht Sybilla, owned by John F. Beetha of Philadelphia, resulted in a field battle this morning, in which one man was thrown overboard and two others injured. The Sybilla crew are foreigners. Race prejudice inflamed a riot. A Greek sailor tossed overboard was finally rescued.

## HEAVY FOG

IMPEDES TRAFFIC OF ALL KINDS  
AROUND PADUCAH.

Steamboats and Trains Arrive Late  
Because They Must Proceed  
Slowly.

This morning a heavy fog, the first of the season, impeded the progress of hucksters coming to market, trains on the railroads, steamboats and in fact even pedestrians to a degree. The fog was thickest just after 5 o'clock and continued thick until long after sunrise. The incoming accommodation passenger trains on the Illinois Central had a hard time, No. 122, from Fulton to Louisville arriving about ten minutes late. The fog lifted about 7:40 o'clock.

### First Wife a Cook for Second.

Danville, Va., Sept. 7.—A marriage ceremony which was performed in this city has caused considerable gossip among the circle in which the principal parties moved, John C. Putner and Lillian Steptize, the latter a pretty school teacher, were the contracting parties. Putner some time ago obtained a divorce from his first wife and later employed her as cook. Tuesday he took his second wife to his home in which the first wife will remain as family cook. She made the wedding cake and cooked the wedding supper for her more successful rival. The new wife is well-known here and in Petersburg.

## BRYAN

WILL STUMP NEW YORK IN IN-  
TEREST OF JEROME.

Hurt at Attitude of Hearst, Takes  
This Means of Striking Him a  
Blow.

New York, Sept. 7.—William Jennings Bryan will stump the state for District Attorney Jerome, if the Democratic convention nominates Jerome for governor. Jerome's friends and politicians say Bryan feels deeply the alleged coolness of Hearst towards him and will take this opportunity of whacking the New York editor, by stumping for Jerome, who is bitterly antagonistic to Hearst.

#### TO BRIBE GUARD.

Stensland Makes Effort in Tangier,  
But Fails.

Tangier, Sept. 7.—Paul O. Stensland who is alleged to have looted the Milwaukee Avenue State bank of over \$1,000,000, and who was arrested here by a Chicago prosecutor, attempted last night to bribe his way from his jail in the American legation. Stensland was betrayed by one of his Moorish guards. "I was offered a handful of paper money," said the Moor, "and was asked to provide the prisoner with a revolver and some cartridges, and to drop out of sight, leaving him to settle with his American guard."

#### Nelson Is All Right.

Reno, Nev., Sept. 7.—Battling Nelson arrived here for treatment at the Hot Springs. His face is in a terrible condition, but otherwise he is in good shape. Sensational reports that he is near death from Gan's blows are without foundation. Nelson wants another fight with the negro.

## SEWER ORDINANCE BEFORE COUNCIL

Will Pass Measure on Final  
Reading Tomorrow.

Bids for Construction Will Be Opened  
at Meeting of Board of Public  
Works.

### REVISED PLANS CONSIDERED.

The board of councilmen is in session today, considering the ordinance providing for the extension of the sewer system to Thirteenth street. The board will convene again tomorrow morning and pass the ordinance on its final reading. The board of aldermen passed the ordinance two weeks ago.

On Monday the board of public works will open bids for the construction of the sewer, which extends as far as Sixteenth street out Broadway, but generally covers the territory between Norton and Trimble streets, Ninth and Thirteenth streets. The system reaches the High school building and the Illinois Central railroad shops.

The original plans were found to take in private property, and to obviate the necessity of condemning a right of way, the engineer was instructed to revise the plans so as to traverse only public highways.

The board of council approved the ordinance permitting the N. C. & St. L. railroad to extend a spur track across Sixth street. This ordinance passed the board of aldermen last night.

#### PENNSY SELLS STOCK.

Reduce Holdings in B. & O. and N. & W.

Philadelphia, Sept. 7.—The Pennsylvania Railroad company announced last night that it had sold to Messrs. Kuhn, Loeb & company, of New York, approximately one-half of its holdings of stock in the Baltimore & Ohio and the Norfolk & Western railroads. The Pennsylvania's holdings in the Baltimore & Ohio amounted on December 31, 1905, to a par value of \$21,480,000 preferred and \$30,293,300 common; in the Norfolk & Western to \$20,330,000 common and \$5,500,000 adjustment preferred, about 40 per cent. During the past few months there has been considerable criticism of these holdings. The inter state commerce commission by virtue of a resolution introduced by Senator Tillman, has been investigating the relationship of these various railroads.

#### YARD HIGH BUNCH.

Of Love Letters Held by Mrs. Brown  
In Readiness to Spring.

New York, Sept. 7.—The domestic troubles of Mrs. Katherine Ballou (or Bowley), Floeckne Watrons Brown have brought her frequently into the limelight of publicity. She is there again, and this time accompanied by a pile of love letters a yard high. Mr. Brown, who lives at the Van Corlear apartment house, declares that he was "non compos mentis" when he married Katherine Ballou, and "has never shared home with her." He is seeking a divorce. Mrs. Brown has made a counter move and has instructed her attorneys to institute proceedings against her husband. She makes serious charges that involve another woman.

#### Says Thaw Is Crazy.

New York, Sept. 7.—Lewis L. Delafeld formerly personal attorney of Harry Kendall Thaw, and the first man to whom the young millionaire turned for help after he had killed Stanford White, returned from Europe today and made the startling declaration that Thaw is insane now and was insane when he fired the fatal shot at the Madison Square Roof Garden.

#### Rice Crop Breaks the Record.

Tokio Sept. 7.—The first official estimate of the rice crop is that it will exceed 54,000,000 koku (nearly 270,000,000 bushels). This is 11 per cent above the average, and breaks the record.

#### Two Negroes Hanged.

Pittsburg, Sept. 7.—Cornelius Combs and "Bud" Williams, negroes, were hanged this morning. Combs murdered Mrs. Elizabeth Dickerson, and Williams killed his mother-in-law.